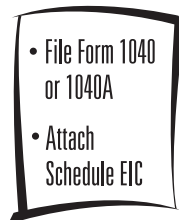


Give Your Paycheck a Boost! Claim All the Tax Credits you Earned

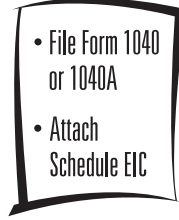


Get your Earned Income Credit.
Many working families can now get the Child Tax Credit too!



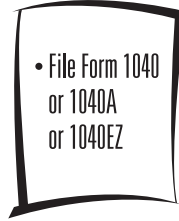
EIC up to
\$2,547

If you lived with one child in 2003 and your family **earned less than \$29,666*** (or less than \$30,666 for married workers), you can get **up to \$2,547**.



EIC up to
\$4,204

If you lived with two or more children in 2003 and your family **earned less than \$33,692*** (or less than \$34,692 for married workers), you can get **up to \$4,204**.



EIC up to
\$382

If you had no children living with you in 2003 and you **earned less than \$11,230*** (or less than \$12,230 for married workers), AND you were between ages 25 and 65, you can get **up to \$382**.

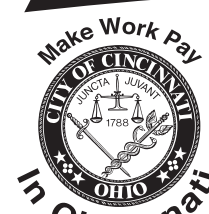
***The Child Tax Credit can be up to \$1,000 for each child.
Many families will qualify!**

Extra Credit!

The new Child Tax Credit can be up to \$1,000 for each child.

Many families qualify for the first time.

File form 8812.



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To learn how you can get these credits or for a FREE Tax Help preparation location near you, call the **United Way Care Connection** by dialing **211** or log on to the City's website at www.cincinnati-oh.gov

The IRS is Going to Give Me Money?

Yes!! The Earned Income Credit (EIC) is a special tax benefit only for people who work full- or part-time. If you qualify, you'll owe less in taxes and you may get cash back. Even if you don't owe income tax you can get the EIC. But, you must file a tax return. Even workers who aren't raising a child can get the EIC!



Extra Credit - Claim the New Child Tax Credit! Did you earn more than \$10,500 in 2003? Can you claim a child under age 17 as a dependent? You may be eligible for a Child Tax Credit - up to \$1,000 for each child! See your 1040 or 1040A instructions, or call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. Eligibility rules are different from the EIC rules, but many workers can receive **both** tax credits.

Get the EIC and the Child Tax Credit By Filing a Federal Tax Return

If you were raising a child in your home in 2003, claim the EIC: File Form 1040 or 1040A, *not* Form 1040EZ. Be sure to attach Schedule EIC. A child must live in the U.S. and be under age 19 in 2003, or under age 24 if a full-time student, or any age if permanently and totally disabled. You may also be able to boost each paycheck during the year with Advance EIC. Get form W-5 from your employer, or call 1-800-TAX-FORM.

If you claim a child under age 17 in 2003 as a dependent, claim the Child Tax Credit: File Form 1040 or 1040A, *not* Form 1040EZ. Follow the tax form instructions to find out if you get a credit. File Form 8812 to claim the Child Tax Credit refund. The child must live in the U.S.

Note: Non-custodial parents may be able to claim the Child Tax Credit.

If you were not raising children in your home in 2003: Claim the EIC with any tax form. No Schedule EIC is needed.



Questions & Answers About These Tax Benefits

What if I don't know how to file a tax return?

GET Free Help!!! VITA, a program of the IRS, helps people fill out their tax forms for free. VITA sites are open from late January through April 15. Many VITA sites have electronic filing for faster refunds. In Cincinnati, there will be a series of Super Saturday tax preparation sites in different neighborhoods across the City. To find the VITA or Super Saturday site near you, call the **United Way Care Connection by dialing 211** or log on to the City's website at **www.rrc.org**



What information do I bring with me?

Bring the following materials with you to the tax preparation site:

1) Copy of last year's tax return; 2) Social Security Cards for yourself, spouse, children, and other dependents; 3) **All** W-2 and 1099 statements; 4) Proof of bank account for direct deposit; 5) Mortgage interest / property taxes paid; 6) Daycare providers name, EIN / SSN, address and amount of child care expenses paid; 7) Student loan interest / college tuition expenses paid; 8) Amount of charitable contributions; 9) If you are married, you must have your spouse present to collect this refund.



I work and get public assistance benefits. If I get these credits, will I lose my other benefits?

The EIC does not account as income in determining eligibility for Food Stamps, SSI, Medicaid, cash assistance, or public housing.